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SUBJ: ITALY-TURKEY UNDERSEA CABLE PROJECT

REF: ROME 13178; ET AL

1. MARSHALL WILLIAMS OF ITT CABLE HYDROSPACE INFORMED COMMERCE TODAY THAT WORLD WIDE SHORTAGES OF RESINS AND COPPER WILL PREVENT CABLE HYDROSPACE FROM BIDDING SUBJECT PROJECT.

2. CABLE HYDROSPACE HAS ENCOUNTERED A COMPLETE LACK OF CONFIRMATION OF MATERIAL PRICES OR DELIVERY. (THE RESINS WHICH ARE NEEDED FOR THE PROJECT COME FROM THE PETROCHEMICAL INDUSTRY.)

3. WE ASSUME THAT STC (BRITAIN) WILL ENCOUNTER THE SAME OR GREATER DIFFICULTIES AND WILL ALSO BE UNABLE TO BID.

4. EMBASSY REQUESTED APPRISE ASST OF CHANGE IN
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SITUATION. INFORM ASST THAT WHEN SUPPLIES BECOME

AVAILABLE (PROBABLY NOT FOR MONTHS) CABLE HYDROSPACE
WILL WANT TO MAKE BID. EMPHASIZE U.S. FIRM HAS NOT
LOST INTEREST BUT THAT SITUATION MAKES A BID TOTALLY
IMPOSSIBLE. PLEASE INFORM*US REACTION OF ASST--WILL THEY
DELAY PROJECT AS WE ASSUME THEY MUST?

5. ALSO PLEASE INQUIRE DOES ASST WISH TENDER DOCUMENTS
RETURNED? IF NOT CABLE HYDROSPACE WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THEM.
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